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In re Application of:

Elan Pharmaceuticalset al

Serial No.: 09/155,739

Filing Date: September 11, 1998

PETITION DECISION

For: THERAPEUTICA USES OF HUMANIZED : ANTIBODIES AGAINST ALPHA-4 INTEGRIN

Attorney's Docket No.: 15270-001430US

This is in response to "communication" filed March 11, 2002.

On May 17, 2001, a restriction was mailed to applicant, a shortened statutory period for response to that action was set to expire one month form the mailing date of May 17, 2001. The application is technically abandoned. However, Notice of Abandonment has not been mailed. On March 11, 2002, the present communication was filed. The communication was accompanied with 1) copy of Postcard mailed 10/17/2001, 2) copy of Transmittal Letter, 3) copy of Fee Transmittal, 4) copy of Petition for Extension of Time, and 5) copy of amendment and Response to Species Election.

The record and the evidence provided have been reviewed. The response filed on October 17, 2001 is timely filed. The papers filed on March 11, 2002 will be entered and the application will be forwarded to examiner after mailing of this letter.

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